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Subject: Re: USACE Draft Preliminary

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Attn:: Mr. Darvin Messer, REIS Project Manager Mr. Skipper Scott, REIS Archeological Division

Mr.. Messer and Mr. Scott

Greetings. Please disregard first Request's Letter version, this one is the most update version. Enclosed document. Thank you for your assistance to our Tribe in this matter. Thank you. Kawa.

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Dear Mr. Messer and Mr. Scott,

Greetings. Enclosed please find our Tribe's Letter Request for the USACE Draft Preliminary. Please confirm/reply. Enclosure document. Thank you. Kawa.

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August 31, 2015

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Re: The Pacuache Tribe of Texas letter Requests to you the USACE Forth Worth District the following: Our Tribe Request to you the USACE the following corrections and inclusions to the USACE Draft Preliminary Programmatic Agreement, The Pacuache Tribe of Texas Requests to you the USACE to be a signatory for the USACE Programmatic Agreement.

Dear Mr. Darvin Messer, and Mr. Skipper Scott,

Greetings to you. Our Tribe requests to be a signatory for the USACE Programmatic Agreement for the proposed expansion of Coal Mines.

Our Tribe is requesting to USACE the following corrections and inclusions to the Draft Preliminary for the USACE Programmatic Agreement to the following:

# **DRAFT PRELIMINARY**

# PROGRAMMATIC AGREEMENT AMONG THE UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS,

THE

TRIBES HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICERS, TEXAS STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER, [AND THE ADVISORY COUNCIL ON HISTORIC PRESERVATION]
FOR THE PROPOSED EXPANSION OF COAL MINES

WHEREAS, The Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma has requested to be a consulting party in the development of this Programmatic Agreement, and the federally unrecognized the Pacuache Tribe of Texas have requested consulting party status; and

# On Stipulations

The USACE will ensure the following stipulations are carried out concerning all historic properties affected by expansion of Mines under the REIS terms:

- I. Synthesis of Previous Investigations:
  - A. Each mine shall develop a report summarizing and..... The Report shall contain
- Full references to all previous historic property investigations including Consultation Sacred lands with Tribes and the opinions on whether they are in concurrence or objection to the NHRP determination.
- III. Phased Archeological Work and Architectural Review:

# A. Phase I

- 1. for expansion areas defined......
- a. All sites recorded will assessed, if possible, for eligibility to the NRHP. Sites that cannot be determined ineligible for the NRHP will be assessed by more detailed work in Phase II. Tribes have the right to concur or object to both findings eligible and not eligible.
  - b. A draft report....
- c. After the final report shall be distributed to all signatory parties within 60 days of receipt by the USACE, and Consulting Parties.
- B. Phase II
- 1. Within one year of completing Phase I, the Mine will begin Phase II....
  - a. Criteria for eligibility....
  - b. A draft report shall follow...
- c. The final report shall be distributed to all signatory and Consulting Parties to this agreement within 60 calendar days of receiving final comments from the SHOP and USACE.

#### C. Phase III

Prior to implementation of the RD, a draft RD for each Mine expansion shall be submitted for a 30 day review to the SHPO, Tribes and USACE. The RD may be revised based on the comments received. Additional review time may be requested by any reviewing party. The USACE shall be responsible for final comments and acceptance before implementation of the final RD. A copy of the final RD shall be made available to all signatures and concurring parties. In the event that there's a disagreement in the implementation of the final RD Tribes shall have the right to concur or object and pursue additional Consultation if necessary to include mitigation remedies if required.

#### A. General

- 1. Each mine is responsible of beginning phased archaeological investigations for each......
- 2. The sequential phases of investigations are,
- 3. Standing architecture shall......
- 4. Each mine shall develop a curation agreement with the SHPO that includes protocols for artifacts recovered at prehistoric and historic sites. This includes work on sites undertaken on property owned by the mine, as well as property leased from private landowners. The curation agreement will be reviewed and approved by the SHPO prior to any fieldwork. All resulting artifact collections, images, field notes, records, digital data, and geospatial data generated by the archaeological investigations pursuant to this PA should be curated in a state repository in accordance with 36 C.F.R. Part 79. All human remains and associated funerary objects will be treated under a separate protocol (Stipulations II (b) (d).
- 5. A plan for Tribal consultation, treatment and coordination of human remains......the plan shall include:
  - a. Notification protocols from Tribes, SHPO, and USACE
  - b. A plan to notify Tribes that are......
- c. Establishment of formal consultation with interested Tribes within 30 days of discovery. Tribes shall inform the final decision on disposition.
  - d. After SHPO and USACE...
- 1. Within six months of .....
  - a. All NRHP eligible sites shall.....
  - b. A draft report shall follow.......
- c. The final report shall be distributed to all signatory and consulting parties to this agreement within 60 days calendar days of receiving final comments from the SHPO and USACE.
- D. Determination of NRHP Eligibility
  - 1. If any archaeological resources are.....
- 2. The USACE will make final determination of NRHP eligibility in consultation with the SHPO and Tribes within 60 calendar days of completing Phase II. Properties with Tribal components most be consulted on with Tribes to concur or object to NRHP determination.

Our Tribe highly appreciates your assistance to our Tribe's requests in this letter and our Tribe is ready put to participate for the USACE Programmatic Agreement. Our Tribe is forward await and looking to hear from you.

Respectfully,

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